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A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

CONTINUOUS CASTING OF A MOLTEN

**MATERIAL** 

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 **Box:** 

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## In The Specification:

Please add the following sentence beginning at page 1, line 3 as the first sentence following the title:

--This invention was made with Government support from the National Science Foundation (NSF) under Grant No. DMI-9712520. The Government has certain rights in the invention.--